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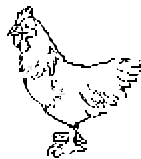
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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE



Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak in the East, mostly steady elsewhere. Retail demand was slow to fair, at times moderate for food service, with best movement for ads, catering, and fast food. However, interest in the West increased due to July Fourth needs and first of the month activities. Supplies were balanced to ample and discounted to help clear additional product. In the parts structure, trading was light. Breast items were mixed, but better balanced for cuts featured in retail ads. The remaining items were at least adequate and also discounted, but had limited success. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cent to 64.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 63.75 cents last year on June 27, 2001.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
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LINE RUN TENDERS	176.00
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BREASTS - B/S	153.50
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BREASTS - WHOLE	85.00
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THIGH MEAT - B/S	78.50
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LEG QUARTERS	21.50
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WINGS	54.50
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**SOUTHERN** Trade sentiment was no better than steady with some caution. Demand was slow to fair, best for fast food and limited retail features with some uncertainty as to whether interest will increase for July Fourth. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient for trade needs with buying limited to much needed product. In the parts structure, trading was mixed, but mostly fair at best. Breast items were adequate, but the remaining items were at least adequate and slow to move. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to heavy, mostly desirable weights.

**NORTHEAST** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was slow and unaggressive during midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes were fully adequate and available at discounted levels. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light. The market tone was barely steady to weak. In the parts complex, bone-in breasts were available, however, boneless-skinless breasts were noted as better balanced. Dark meat cuts were fully sufficient. Wings were at least adequate.

**MIDWEST** Whole fryer trade sentiment was generally steady. Offerings varied, but were fully available for the very light trade interest. Demand into retail outlets was slow to instances fair at best with scattered features stimulating limited interest. In the food service sector movement was mixed and spotty, slow to moderate. Floor stocks were in balance to ample with sluggish demand impacting the management of inventories. Weights were desirable to heavy. Trading on parts was very narrow even though price levels were attractively discounted. Offerings were plentiful on all items. The market tone was steady at best with boneless/skinless breasts, wings and leg items barely steady to weak.

**WESTERN** The market tone was steady. Offerings were in close balance to adequate on whole body product. Buying interest increased due to first-of-the month and 4th of July needs. Demand was very good, best to cover features and specials particularly on parts. Floor stocks generally adequate.

## CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

19 STATES			PERCENT CHANGE
WEEK ENDING 06/22/02	2002	2001	PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	208,095	204,020	+02
CHICKS PLACED	172,802	170,489	+01

## BROILER EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 22, 2002. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## BROILER CHICKS PLACED

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 22, 2002. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through June 22, 2002 were 4.26 billion.

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 3-Aug-02 IS ESTIMATED AT 159.1 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 160.2 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 160.8 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 160.0 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 61.02 CENTS PER POUND.

JUNE 25, 2002

## SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

JUNE 26, 2002

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	911	130.00-220.00	133-139	138.68
TENDERLOINS	136	110.00-195.00	110-115	133.53
BREAST - LINE RUN	113	84.00-88.00	84-86	84.97
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	89	22.00-37.00	22-23	23.52
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	399	15.00-19.00	15-16	16.19
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,368	17.00-26.00	19-21	20.13
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	48.00-56.00	55-56	54.75
WINGS (CUT)	444	62.00-75.00	64-66	65.18
DRUMSTICKS	68	37.00-43.00	-	37.71
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	902	130.00-220.00	132-140	136.28
TENDERLOINS	149	110.00-195.00	110-115	131.58
BREAST - LINE RUN	118	84.00-88.00	85-86	85.53
FRONT HALVES	140	60.25-65.00	63	62.81
LEGS	124	22.00-37.00	22-24	23.68
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	439	14.50-19.00	15-16	16.04
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,408	17.00-26.00	19-21	20.64
WINGS (WHOLE)	295	47.00-56.00	54-55	54.63
WINGS (CUT)	421	61.00-75.00	62-63	63.96
DRUMSTICKS	65	37.00-43.00	-	37.65
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
36.25 - 41.00	38.22	37.50 - 42.00	39.43	39.10

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

## NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

Trucklot buying activity was light to no better than fair during midweek trading as dealers remained cautious and selective in order to keep product in close balance with the limited demand. Offerings of boneless-skinless breasts were well cleared. Bone-in breasts were at least sufficient. Thighs and boneless-skinless thighs were readily available. The balance of parts were more than adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels ranged fair to moderate, with best movement centering around scattered boneless-skinless breast features. The market tone was steady on boneless-skinless breasts, no better than steady on bone-in breasts, barely steady to weak on thighs and thigh meat, and about steady on the balance.

\*PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES JUNE 25, 2002

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140-145	147.40	455,170	BREAST - B/S	140-145	146.17	515,890
TENDERLOINS	105-110	107.32	123,920	TENDERLOINS	105-110	106.37	119,470
BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79	85.05	185,000	BREAST - WITH RIBS	78-79	84.83	190,440
BREAST - LINE RUN	78	80.26	105,200	BREAST - LINE RUN	78	78.91	130,960
LEGS	32-33	37.58	129,520	LEGS	32-33	36.14	181,080
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	20-21	21.05	561,380	LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	20-21	20.15	485,800
DRUMSTICKS	34-35	33.37	133,060	DRUMSTICKS	34-35	34.90	161,670
THIGHS	21-22	28.80	100,200	THIGHS	20-21	31.66	74,500
B/S THIGHS	73-74	75.77	104,550	B/S THIGHS	71-72	75.73	89,880
WINGS (WHOLE)	53-54	61.79	123,320	WINGS (WHOLE)	53-54	60.50	126,960
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.62	27,720	BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.95	35,800
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	15-20	16.23	14,955	LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	15-20	17.07	14,640
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	30-35	39.22	20,570	GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	30-35	40.27	20,640

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

## ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	06/26	06/25	06/24	06/21	06/19
ALA	4,034	4,037	4,058	3,933	5.18
ARK	5,456	5,451	5,327	5,310	5.00
DELMARVA	2,338	2,484	2,196	2,492	5.21
KY-LA-TN	2,057	2,065	2,037	2,061	4.66
MISS	2,903	2,914	2,925	3,353	5.39
NC	2,707	2,709	2,653	2,659	6.06
TEXAS	2,430	2,441	2,468	2,562	4.94
TOTAL	21,925	22,101	21,664	22,328	5.20
MON-WED65,826 (A)					5.04
					21,316
					5.05
					63,936 (A)

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 26-Jun 02 and is estimated to be 32,802,000 up 2.55 percent from a week ago and up 5.0 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,987,000; last year 31,246,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY  
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	91-93
ROASTERS 4# & UP	80-95
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	-
DUCKS	-
RABBITS-WHOLE	-
RABBITS-CUT UP	-

## SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

## DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 94-95
	DRY PACK 96-103
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 104-113
	DRY PACK 113
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 94-98
	DRY PACK -
DUCKS	152-166

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 29-JUNE-02

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	06/29/02 (1)	06/22/02
CLASS	THOUSAND HEAD	
BRO-FRY	166,992(2)	162,770
LT HENS	1,717	1,852
HVY HENS	1,636	1,570
CHECK TOTAL	170,345	166,192

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 29-Jun-02 is 161.2 million head compared to 166.6 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 167.3 million head or 6.1 million less than estimated available. For week of 06-Jul-02 the estimated available is 161.2 million head.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS**

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 24-JUN-02	209,729	75,186
AM 1-JUNE-02	199,226	73,633
CHG	10,503	1,553
PCT CHG	5	2

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)**

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	06/24/02	06/17/02	06/25/01	06/24/02	06/17/02	06/25/01
PACIFIC						
COAST	27,638	26,517	26,866	5,065	5,095	4,274
LOS						
ANGELES	341	367	3,143	3,380	3,340	2,480

**CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS**

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF JUNE 24, 2002

	RANGE
HENS ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	58-60
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	59-69

**HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES**

FOR 6/25/02

	LOW	HIGH	AVG	LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	.30	1.10	.52	HEAVY FOWL ea.	1.00	4.25
LIGHT FOWL lb.	.20	.30	.25	LIGHT FOWL ea.	.40	3.25
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	1.00	2.75
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	.30	1.25
BROILERS lb.	.40	.55	.43	BROILERS ea.	1.00	4.25
ROASTERS lb.	.25	.40	.30	ROASTERS ea.	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.10	1.75
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	7.50
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	.75	5.50
ROOSTERS lb.	.75	1.45	1.13	ROOSTERS ea.	2.00	7.00
GEESE lb.	-	.30	-	GEESE ea.	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	.30	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-
DUCKS lb.	.40	.80	.68	DUCKS ea.	.50	6.50
RABBITS lb.	.30	1.25	.75	RABBITS ea.	2.00	2.25
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	1.00	5.50
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	5.00	8.00
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	.50	2.75
GUINEA KEETS ea.	1.50	2.50	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-
SILKIES lb.	-	-	-	SILKIES ea.	-	1.50
GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-	GUINEA PIGS ea.	2.00	2.50

TOTAL COOPS 207

**MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - Mexico City**

Cents per pound for the week ending June 21, 2002

cents per pound for the week ending June 27, 2002

	<u>Whole</u>		<u>Legs</u>	<u>Necks, Backs</u>	<u>Livers/</u>
	<u>Chickens</u>	<u>Breasts</u>	<u>W/Thighs</u>	<u>&amp; Wings</u>	<u>Gizzards</u>
<u>Hens</u>					
RAYON					
Low	63.81	136.74	91.16	27.35	22.79
34.19	High	72.02	150.42	100.28	31.91
27.35	34.19	Mostly	69.28	150.42	100.28
31.91	27.35	34.19			
SAN JUAN					
Low	58.80	132.19	82.05	31.91	13.67
52.42	High	61.08	141.30	95.72	41.02
20.51	52.42	Mostly	58.80	136.74	84.33
34.19	15.95	52.42			
NEW SAN JUAN					
Low	63.81	136.74	91.16	22.79	22.79
34.19	High	71.56	145.86	100.28	31.91
27.35	34.19	Mostly	68.37	145.86	95.72
27.35	27.35	34.19			
BECERRA					
Low	58.80	132.19	95.72	31.91	13.67
54.70	High	61.53	145.86	104.84	41.02
18.23	54.70	Mostly	61.53	136.74	95.72
34.19	15.95	54.70			

**DELMARVA**

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was generally slow and insufficient in keeping seller offerings cleared satisfactorily. Live supplies were seasonally moderate; weights were in a full range of light to heavy. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent lower at 54 to 69 cents. Trade sentiment remained mostly weak. In the parts complex, supplies were again readily available for a lackluster buying interest.

\*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

	BRANDED
	U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	49-67
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	55.71
NO. OF BOXES	8,426

\*8 of 8 plants reporting.

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